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NJMC to Partner with Meadowlands Museum

Joint Venture Would Increase Educational Programming

LYNDHURST, N.J. – A proposed partnership between the New Jersey Meadowlands Commission (NJMC) and the Meadowlands Museum would increase the educational programming offered by both organizations while promoting the rich history of the Meadowlands District.

"The Meadowlands Museum is an important cultural and historic resource with specific ties to the Meadowlands District," said Robert Ceberio, Executive Director of the NJMC. "The museum's wealth of information and artifacts and its staff's educational expertise would be a valuable addition to our public education programming."

The partnership, which requires approval by Commissioners at the NJMC's Wednesday, July 22 meeting, would provide programs and exhibits focused on the early history of the area. The programs would be held at the NJMC's Meadowlands Environment Center and the museum's Rutherford home. The local history programs would complement the arts, science and environmental education programs already offered at the MEC for people of all ages.

"We're excited about the possibility of sharing our resources and holding joint programs with the NJMC," said Jackie Bunker-Lohrenz, Director of the Meadowlands Museum. "Science, the environment and history are highly linked, so it makes sense to join together."

The Meadowlands Museum was established in 1961 to document the cultural, social and economic history of the Meadowlands area. Housed in an historic 19th-century Dutch style farmhouse, the museum's collection includes a photo archive, textiles, clothing, children's toys and games, diaries and household items.